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TEXT XXCC ON 15 MAY THE KC WERE DIRECTED TO LET THE AMERICANS

"TAKE THE SHIP AND LEAVE" AND TO "LET THE AMERICANS GO."

*THE KC ALSO OBSERVED THAT U.S. MARINES HAD BOARDED THE MAYAGUEZ AND INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD PERMIT THE CREW AND SOME THAI NATIONALS TO RETURN TO THE SHIP. CONCERNING THE U.S. ACTION TO RECAPTURE THE MAYAGUEZ AND RESCUE HER CREW, THE COMMANDER OF THE SOUTHWEST REGION 3D DIVISION REPORTED THE FOLLOWING:

*AFTER PREPARATORY AIR AND NAVAL BOMBARDMENT OF KOH TANG, AMERICAN GROUND FORCES WERE ONLY ABLE TO ADVANCE 30 METERS FROM THE WATER'S EDGE DUE TO KC COUNTERFIRE. DURING THE BATTLE 2 AMERICANS WERE REPORTEDLY KILLED, "MANY" WERE WOUNDED AND TWO HELICOPTERS WERE SHOT DOWN. THE AMERICANS ALLEGEDLY

*COMPLETELY WITHDREW FROM KOH TANG AT 2300 HOURS (LOCAL) ON 15 MAY. ANOTHER 16 MAY KC REPORT DISCLOSED, HOWEVER,

*THAT THE REMAINS OF FOUR HELICOPTERS WERE FOUND ON KOH TANG.

A KC AFTER ACTION REPORT REFLECTING DAMAGES SUSTAINED BY THEM FOLLOWING U.S. AIR ATTACKS ON REAM AND KANG KENG AIRFIELD DISCLOSED THAT MORE THAN 47 KC WERE KILLED AND 55 WERE WOUNDED. THREE KC BOATS AND A LATHE FACTORY WERE DESTROYED AT REAM; 1 AIRCRAFT WAS DESTROYED AND 4 DAMAGED AT KANG KENG. ALSO DESTROYED WERE 1,700 BARRELS OF TAR AND 82 TANKS OF AVIATION FUEL. IN ADDITION, CONTACT WAS REPORTEDLY LOST WITH A KC "TYPE 136 SHIP WHICH CANNOT BE FOUND." THIS MAY BE A COLLATERALLY REPORTED CAMBODIAN SUB CHASER E311 WHICH DEFECTED TO THAILAND.

CONTINUED KC HARRASSMENT OF SEA LANES OFF THE CAMBODIAN COAST WAS NOTED ON 14 MAY WHEN THE KC REPORTEDLY STOPPED A SECOND PANAMANIAN SHIP, THE EASTERN GRAND. THE SHIP WAS STOPPED, ITS MASTER WAS QUESTIONED BY KC NAVY PERSONNEL AND THE VESSEL WAS ESCORTED TO POULO PANJANG ISLAND BEFORE IT WAS PERMITTED TO RESUME ITS VOYAGE TO BANGKOK. THE KC REPORTED OCCUPYING KOH KRACHEK SEH (POSSIBLY KOH SEH) ISLAND ON 11 MAY. THE ISLAND WAS REPORTEDLY INHABITED BY 100 VIETNAMESE AND 3 CAMBODIAN FAMILIES. THE COMMANDER OF THE SOUTHWEST REGION 3D DIVISION REQUESTED GUIDANCE CONCERNING THE RELOCATION OF THE VIETNAMESE. CAMBODIAN-SOUTH VIETNAMESE BORDER DISPUTES WITH THE VIETNAMESE COMMUNISTS (VNC) WERE CONTAINED IN KC COMMUNIQUE OF 10 AND 18 MAY. IN THE 10 MAY REPORT THE SECTOR 35 (KAMPOT PROVINCE) SECRETARY DISCLOSED THAT AN ARGUMENT WITH VNC FORCES OVER THE TRUE LINE OF DEMARCATION BETWEEN CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIETNAM HAS DEVELOPED. THE VNC MAINTAIN THAT THE BOUNDARY PROBABLY IN THE KAMPOT PROVINCE - HATIEU BORDER AREA IS BASED ON MAPS WHILE THE KC RECOGNIZE A "TRADITIONAL BOUNDARY" BASED ON AN UNSPECIFIED STREAM, PROBABLY THE RACH

GIANG THNANH STREAM WITHIN SOUTH VIETNAM. THE KC SET UP POSITIONS ON THE STREAM BUT ARE REPORTEDLY BEING HARRASSED BY THE VNC WHO ALLEGEDLY ARE PLANNING TO FIRE THEIR CANNONS AT KC FORCES. THE SECTOR SECRETARY REPORTED THAT "ADEQUATE MEASURES TO DEFEND OUR BORDERS "HAS BEEN TAKEN. IN THE 18 MAY REPORT THE SECTOR 23 (SVAY RIENG PROVINCE) SECRETARY WAS ADVISED THAT CAMBODIAN CIVILIANS RESIDING IN THE CAMBODIAN - SOUTH VIETNAMESE BORDER AREAS AS BEING HARRASSED BY VNC WHO STEAL THEIR LIVESTOCK AND ORDER THEIR FORCES TO CROSS INTO CAMBODIAN TERRITORY AND FIRE ON THE PEOPLE. THE SECRETARY WAS ORDERED TO ADOPT COUNTERMEASURES TO CONSIST OF ARMING VILLAGE SAPPER UNITS TO DEFEND THE BORDER AND PROTECT AGAINST LOOTERS. THE KC FORCES ARE TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO PATROL THE BORDER. THE KC INTEND TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE VNC LIAISON COMMITTEE TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE THE KC TO VIOLATE VNC TERRITORY BUT WILL FIGHT THE VNC IF THEY CONTINUE TO HARRASS CAMBODIAN CIVILIANS. IF THE PROBLEMS CANNOT BE RESOLVED POLITICALLY THE KC MUST TAKE "DEFINITIVE MEASURES." XGDS 2 XXHH #8101

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